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Erin Kemple
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Dear Ms. Kemple,

I write to complement you on the work of your attorneys and paralegals. I have had numerous interactions with your attorneys and paralegals and they have been excellent. I want to point out two especially exceptional interactions. I have a long-time client with significant symptoms of both schizophrenia and personality disorder. It has taken years to gain the trust and confidence of this client. He is a client that is well-known to all providers, police, judges and the courts in his city. He has filed lawsuits against two of my attorneys in the past so I have taken him on. I have worked with him to obtain Section 8 housing subsidy and reasonable accommodations. There was a legal issue that I could not take on so he called Greg Kirschner. Greg took the matter on and worked very well with this difficult client. The matter was resolved in a matter of a few weeks.

The second matter was an extremely emergent situation for another very significantly disabled man who was having his Section 8 housing subsidy terminated by a housing authority. CFHC paralegal Maria Cuerda had worked up the file, documented her work, obtained statements and had written two excellent demand letters to the executive director of the housing authority. The executive director was refusing to even grant the client a hearing on the termination, clearly in violation of federal law. We were on a short time frame because without the subsidy this client would have been

evicted and homeless in short order. I was able to use Ms. Cuerda's excellent work, draft up a federal complaint, filed it, and mailed it to the housing authority executive director as a professional courtesy before having the marshal serve him with process. He immediately granted a hearing and reinstated the client's Section 8.

I am also familiar with some of your attorneys' legal work and have found it to be exceptional. I complement you for all the wonderful legal work you are able to accomplish. Without the Connecticut Fair Housing Center, many of Connecticut's most disabled residents would lose their housing.

Yours truly,

s/Kirk W. Lowry
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